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For: **CHELATING CARBENE LIGAND PRECURSORS AND THEIR
USES IN THE SYNTHESIS OF METATHESIS CATALYSTS**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Please enter this preliminary amendment prior to examination of the enclosed
Continuation Application.